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A REAL CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN IS ON

City Physician Hand and Chairman of the Board of Health Back of the Movement

PROCLAMATION

The City Council hereby proclaims the week beginning May 24 for Clean-Up Week. You are ordered to make a general clean-up of all manure, cans, ashes and rubbish of all kinds from your lots and alleys.

A. D. RODGERS, Mayor.

Now that spring is officially here, as evidenced by the presence of the paving gang and the disappearance of snow, a real clean-up campaign will be staged in Alliance. Mayor Rodgers has issued a proclamation calling upon the citizens to clear their premises of rubbish of all kinds during the next week.

Alliance had, nominally, a clean-up campaign a few weeks ago, when an ambitious newspaper put on a performance for the purpose of augmenting its advertising patronage. At that time there was a proclamation issued in the name of the mayor, and columns of good advice offered the citizens, all of which, due to about a foot of snow on the ground, were practically thrown away.

This time, however, the clean-up campaign is a real thing. The council has turned over the matter to City Physician Hand and the board of health, of which Councilman O. C. Moore is chairman. These men mean business and they do not propose to have a half-hearted clean-up of the city which will be over within a week and forgotten in two weeks. This is to be a lasting clean-up. Next week is only the beginning, and they propose to follow it up throughout the year.

Everything that constitutes a menace to the health of the community will have to go. This includes rubbish of all kinds. It has especial reference to the outdoor toilet. The following statement has been issued:

"During the week set apart for a clean-up, an inspection will be made of all outdoor toilets within the sanitary sewer districts, the object being to locate every one of these located within the districts already created. A plat will be made and placed on file at the city hall showing the definite location of every outdoor toilet, and with this information at hand, property owners will be notified that all of these must be cleaned and removed with a reasonable length of time and connections with the sanitary sewer made. It is our aim to be able to say at the close of this summer that there is not a single outdoor toilet in the city of Alliance within the district served by the sanitary sewer.

O. C. MOORE,
Chairman Board of Health,
G. J. HAND,
City Physician.

This cleanup campaign is in the nature of a warning. If conditions are not improved, and kept improved, prosecution will follow. The city of Alliance has outgrown the village class, the authorities say, and they expect to make it a real city from a sanitary point of view.

SAYS STOLEN CLOTHING WAS ONLY OLD RAGS

Leo Sperling, of the Alliance Hide & Fur Company, was in Canton, O., the past week, where he was presented by the City of Canton with a Victory Honor medal for service in France from 1917 to 1919. Mr. Sperling enlisted from the city of Canton and engaged in business here a short time after his discharge.

On his return Wednesday, Mr. Sperling was informed that during his absence the man left in charge had purchased rags valued at 50 cents from some boy. This was afterward shown to have been stolen. An Alliance newspaper, in reporting the incident, spoke of "\$30 worth of clothing" that had been recovered from Mr. Sperling's establishment, and he takes exceptions to being published to the world in the light of a receiver of stolen goods. He wants it distinctly understood that the rags were not recognized as clothing, that their value was overstated a good many times, and that no effort was made to find out the facts in the case before the story was printed. His letter follows:

ALLIANCE, Neb., May 20, 1920.

THE WEATHER

ALLIANCE, Neb., May 21, 1920. —Partly cloudy and Saturday somewhat warmer tonight; cooler extreme west portion Saturday.

The Alliance Herald, Alliance, Neb., Gentlemen: Returning from a trip east I noticed in the Alliance Semi-Weekly Times a statement where a quantity of clothing valued at more than \$30, stolen, was recovered at the Alliance Hide & Fur Co. Knowing that the Alliance Hide & Fur Co. never was in the clothing business, and the aim of the business is to give a square and honest deal to our customers in the line of goods they purchase. I have made an inquiry in regard to the above statement of the Alliance Semi-Weekly Times and find that the man left in charge of the place in time of my absence purchased from a boy common rags valued at 50c, which were picked up by him in some of the Alliance back yards.

I am very sorry that the Alliance Semi-Weekly Times is so hard up for news that they will print most anything to fill out the paper, and I wonder what occupies the time of the reporters from the Alliance Semi-Weekly Times, that they can't find out the truth of the reports received in their office before giving it space in the paper.

Trusting you will print this letter in the next paper. Yours very truly,
ALLIANCE HIDE & FUR CO.,
Leo Sperling, Mgr.

EIGHTH GRADERS GIVEN DIPLOMAS

City, County, Hemingford and St. Agnes Academy Hold Joint Exercises

One hundred and fifty-three eighth grade students received diplomas at the eighth grade graduating exercises held at the high school auditorium last night. The names of the graduates appear on another column on this page.

Rev. Walter C. Rundin of Mitchell delivered the commencement address which was crammed full of sensible advice to the young people. Mr. Rundin's address made a deep impression, not only on the graduates, but on the audience.

The following program was given: Chorus, "Gypsy Song," "Welcome to Spring;" City Eighth Grade.

Invocation, Rev. A. J. Kearns. Chorus: "Mamma's Voice;" voices selected from City Eighth grade.

Address, Rev. W. C. Rundin, Mitchell, Neb. Girls' chorus, "Welcome Pretty Primrose."

Presentation of diplomas, Supt. W. R. Pate.

Chorus: "The Garden by the Sea;" City Eighth Grades. Benediction, Rev. J. Orrin Gould.

The Alliance high school commencement will be held in the auditorium this evening.

TO ORGANIZE A UNI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Dean Philo M. Buck of the university of Nebraska and Miss Annis M. Chaikin, secretary of the alumni association, will be in Alliance next Monday for the purpose of organizing a local association of university graduates and ex-students. A number of these associations have been formed in different parts of the state, and it is expected that every one eligible in the county will make an effort to be present.

Arrangements for the meeting have been made by Earl D. Mallory. There will be a dinner at the Alliance hotel at 6:30 p. m., at which Dean Buck will be the principal speaker. Mr. Buck is one of the most popular of the university officials and makes a little better speech than most of them. This is probably due to army experience. He was among the first to volunteer for service, and made a captaincy in the intelligence division. Always interesting, it is firmly believed that the dean will make a special effort to outdo all past performances.

All eligibles are urged to make their arrangements to attend this banquet. Call at The Herald office or phone No. 340 and make reservations. Remember the hours spent on the library steps, the benches, in Dean Engberg's presence—and come out and get some shrdlu amfwypoin It's a chance in a lifetime.

Mrs. John Brennan is quite ill with the quinsy.

ALLIANCE MEN STRIKE MORE OIL

Another Well Brought In on Syndicate's Osage Property—It Is a Big Producer

The Alliance syndicate, comprising eight business men of this city, is having all kinds of good fortune in the oil game. A few weeks ago they brought in a gusher that proved the Osage field, disposing of their interests for \$200,000 and a 20 per cent royalty. Last week the first well was given a test and found to produce 1,728 barrels per day, nearly double what the most optimistic of them expected. This is the greatest well in the world for quantity and quality of production at a depth of 1,335 feet. When uncapped, the well flowed 72 barrels an hour. Inasmuch as the present price of crude oil at Omaha is \$3.25 per barrel, some idea of the magnitude of the strike can be gained.

The second well was brought in on section 19, about five-eighths of a mile southwest of the first. The drill broke through the rock at 4 p. m. Tuesday, and at the first signs of escaping gas the well was capped. No reliable estimate of the production can be given, but experienced oil men believe that it will be fully as good as the first, which was a record-breaker. There was less gas, but the well is believed to be a better producer.

Charles Brittan, Jay Walker, Dr. H. A. Copey, William King, Dave and Oscar O'Bannon, DeLos Barber, C. M. Carroll and A. G. Eastburn are the members of the syndicate. They control the whole of section 19, and but two wells have been put down to date. One well can be sunk on every five acres, and if they all turn out as well as the first two, there are going to be a raft of oil multi-millionaires in Alliance.

W. F. Schramm of Columbus, who has been in the city for the past few days considering the establishment of a wholesale grocery in Alliance, has returned to Columbus, after having definitely decided to make this place a distributing point. He expects to return in about ten days and start operations.

OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY

Plans Completed by Chamber of Commerce, G. A. R. and Other War Veterans

Memorial day, Sunday, May 30, will be observed in due form in Alliance. The Chamber of Commerce, G. A. R., Spanish-American and World war veterans have joined together in formulating a program. The program begins with a parade at 2 p. m. The line of march will be from the depot to the fair grounds, where a program will be given at 2:30. Following this event, there will be exercises and the decorating of graves at the cemetery.

The parade will start promptly at 2 p. m. J. B. Miller will be marshal of the day, with Dr. Minor Morris as aide. The procession will be led by the band, followed in order by the civil war veterans, the Spanish-American war veterans, the world war veterans, the various organizations, lodges and societies.

The fair grounds will be decorated by a committee consisting of D. C. Bradbury, Edwin M. Burr, Paul Back and Messrs. Johansen and Harris. The following program will be given at the grounds, with Dr. Minor Morris presiding:

Invocation, Dean J. J. Dixon. Music, Mann male quartet. Recitation, "The Blue and the Gray."

Reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

Address, Rev. J. Orrin Gould. Music, Mann male quartet.

Benediction, Rev. A. J. Kearns. At the cemetery, Rev. Stephen J. Epler will be in charge of the ceremonies. The following will be the program:

Address: Chairman Apler. Music, Mann male quartet. Decoration of graves.

Remarks, County Judge Ira E. Tash.

Salute by firing squad. Benediction, Rev. Mearl C. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Metz entertained a few friends at dinner last evening in honor of H. E. Gans' birthday.

SWITCHMAN LOSES LEG IN YARD ACCIDENT

Harold Hurst, switchman in the local yards, lost a leg as a result of an accident at 4 a. m. Thursday. Mr. Hurst was hanging on the side of a car, and the engineer stopped suddenly and started the same way, throwing him under the moving train. Three car lengths passed over him, severing his limb from the body.

Dr. H. H. Bellwood was called and the injured man taken to the St. Joseph hospital.

J. C. Morrow, E. F. Shields, B. G. Bauman and J. W. Guthrie will leave the first of next week for Norfolk where they will attend the Knights of Columbus council.

164 CLEANERS MOVE TO A NEW LOCATION

The 164 Cleaners, which means Ted Fielding and his efficient gang, will move this week to their new location in their new location in the building at present occupied by the Manhattan restaurant. The restaurant will also move to another location in the same block.

It will take about a week, Mr. Fielding says, before the removal and remodeling necessary will be accomplished, but once it is through, the 164 Cleaners will have a lot better quarters, with more room and consequently better facilities to serve an increasing line of customers.

CHANCE TO SEE HORSES IN ACTION

Drivers Will Stage Sample Races at the Fair Grounds Sunday Afternoon

Sunday afternoon, May 23, there will be an opportunity for Alliance and Box Butte county citizens to see race horses in action. There are now a good many of them at the fair grounds, in training for the race meet next month, and in order to exercise the horses and work up a little interest in the meet, arrangements have been made to run a few races next Sunday. The Sunday following is Memorial day, but the third Sunday another impromptu program will be put on. Lovers of the most fascinating sport on earth will be out in droves, and you had better come early if you want a seat.

A number of new horses have arrived at the grounds. C. B. Irwin of Cheyenne had written asking that sixteen stalls be reserved for him. Other requests have come in and the prospects are that there will be over a hundred horses in attendance. The start was made today on the construction of twenty additional stalls. There are already forty-nine, and it is probable that at least forty more will be required.

The track is in the finest of condition, and Ed Bishop says that it will be the fastest track in the state. The track has been drained and fixed so that the water cannot stand on it in any place. Improvements and repairs are being made in the grandstand.

No charge will be made during the race meet for admitting cars to the grounds, but a charge will be made for parking spaces adjacent to the grandstand. The first ten will be sold at \$2, the next ten at \$1.50, and the balance at \$1. There will be no charge made except for spaces next to the track.

It has now been decided that both carnivals will be given a place on the fair grounds, the committee discovering that it was impossible to accommodate them on Fifth street, as had been planned.

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

Dan Mandeville, a boy fifteen years old, was seriously injured last evening in the railroad yards. A pair of iron truck wheels rolled over his ankles, breaking three bones in each ankle. He has taken to the St. Joseph's hospital this morning after receiving treatment from Dr. Slagle. His mother will arrive from Omaha tomorrow. For some months the boy has been employed at the yards and boarded with W. H. Dacy of this city. He is a nephew of John Dougherty.

The cemetery is being put in shape for Memorial day services, and there are a few spades, shovels and rakes out there at the disposal of lot owners who desire to improve the appearance of graves. They will be left there during the next few weeks, in order to accommodate the citizens, Councilman Hills announces.

ALLIANCE POST TO VOTE ON BONUS

Special Meeting Called for Monday Evening, May 30, at City Hall Some Discussion Likely.

Members of the Alliance Post to Veterans will meet Monday evening, May 30, at City Hall for a special meeting.

The legion's plans for discharged service men, a vote will be taken as to whether the four-fold plan will be accepted if congress desires to offer it. This is one of the most important questions that has been put up to the ex-service men, and a full attendance is desired so that the actual sentiment of the majority can be ascertained. There will be plenty of discussion, and all of it will be interesting.

There is some difference of opinion among legion members as to whether a bonus should be granted. Friends of the bonus plan point out that everybody else who worked for the government during the war got paid the highest sort of wages; and that nearly everyone who stayed at home built up a good business and otherwise got a head start in the race for success. They say, also, that other countries have made liberal provision for their soldiers and that the United States, the richest of the lot, has been most niggardly.

On the other hand, the ex-soldiers who are opposed to the bonus plan say that it savors a little too much of holding up the public. They protest that the country is now staggering under a load of debt, and that the bonus would increase this burden, which must be paid by additional taxation—and that taxes are already unreasonably high. They insist that congress doesn't want to do anything of this kind, and that it is being forced through by fear of the loss of the soldier vote. They say a lot of other things, and the legion members who turn out Monday night will have a chance to weigh the arguments and vote as they desire. The result will be interesting, no matter which way it goes.

The legion's bonus plan is summarized as follows:

1. Land settlement, whereby ex-service men will be assisted in purchasing a farm in any state, reimbursing the government for funds advanced by easy payments extending over a period of ten years or more.
2. Home aid, whereby ex-service men will get government assistance in purchasing a home.
3. Vocational training, whereby an ex-service man may learn a trade or vocation with the assistance of the government.
4. Adjusted financial compensation. This would go automatically to the beneficiaries of those who died in service, to all disabled men, and to those ex-service men who do not elect to avail themselves of one of the foregoing provisions.

The legion has asked that congress, in meeting the nation's obligation to the ex-service man, be as liberal as is consistent with the welfare of the country. It has recommended that the extent to which assistance is given the individual ex-service man be based upon his length of service.

Final arrangements for Memorial day observance will also be made at this meeting.

ALLIANCE EAGLES ELECT NEW OFFICERS

The regular election of officers was held by the Alliance aerie Thursday evening, and the following were chosen to serve for the coming year: Worthy president, George A. Hills; vice president, Carl Weinle trustee, F. E. Holsten; chaplain, Jay Duncan; secretary, F. W. Hicks. These officers will assume their duties the third Thursday in June.

At the coming installation of officers, the Eagles are planning for a smoker and general good time following the business session.

The Eagles will do something during the next few months toward building or buying a permanent home. They have already purchased lots, and will decide whether to go ahead and make a start on a new building or whether to purchase a building and remodel it for their needs.

Jerry Robinson has placed his order for a new Ford car, which will make a remarkably convenient means of locomotion these hot days. And it's not so poor on the cold days.

Eighth Grade Graduates

City Schools		
Hubert Adams	Frances Fletcher	Juanita Lang
Iola Allen	Ethel Fuller	Nellie Lawrence
Mark Anderson	Lilla Graham	Eugenia Laing
Ruth Ayle	Mabel Gould	Julia Mart
Lyle Alexander	Esther Hahn	Orley McFarland
Eva Beal	Katherine Harris	Mildred Pate
Neva Beal	Helen Herbaugh	Della Peterson
Geraldine Brenaman	Edna Hiles	Wayne Ralls
William Bicknell	Cecil Henry	Maude Reeves
Garland Baker	Dorothy Hurst	King Robbins
Esther Boone	Miriam Harris	Gladys Sturgeon
Margaret Bradley	Helen Hawes	Phyllis Thompson
Helen Coker	Floyd Irwin	Wayne Threlkeld
Charles Cross	Alice Jesse	Esther Vanderlas
Vivian Corbet	Anna Keiser	Earl Vanderlas
Mardell Drake	Victor King	Vincent Wheeler
Doris Downing	Forest Keethler	John Weaver
Caroline Drewell	Valentine Lawrence	Leota Whistman
Harold Dickinson	Verne Lyon	

Hemingford Schools		
Bessie Baldwin	Laura Scott	Irene Nolan
Guy Elder	Agnes Stewart	Naomi O'Neil
Madge Hardy	Harold Warn	Helen O'Connell
Helen Haynes	Ethel Jones	Lucile O'Connell
Irene Haynes	Maren Forsstrom	Lucy Werner
Ronald Hopkins	Catherine Kenney	Mabel Wilson
Evelyn Hilliker	Martin Morris	Ruby Waddell
Esther Kilness	Elizabeth McCoy	Chester Yount
	Francis McCoy	

St. Agnes Academy		
Romona Allen	Clara Caha	William Driscoll
Anna Burke	Clara Cates	Daniel Foley
Ruth Barlow	Alice Dodds	Paul Freimuth
Martin Brennan	Mary Doran	Catherine Hoban
Louis Buechsenstein	Donald Dotson	Thelma Keisel
Emily Craven	Bernard Dougherty	Donald Katen

County Schools		
Gladys Adams	Leon Ditsch	La Verne Nason
Forrest Adams	Gurney Gregg	Mildred Newman
Cecil Bird	Opal Griffith	Nellie Playmate
Rudolph Becker	Miriam Harris	Anna Panwitz
Helen Becker	Edward Himes	Herbert Purington
Dorothy Bacon	Neva Hawley	Thelma Palmer
Geneva Barrows	Fern Hawley	Hall Wood Rust
Carl Bergfield	Agnes Kennedy	Estella Rowland
Clifford Bergfield	Ernest Koester	Thelma Robbins
John Blanchard	Louis Kriz	Carl Rehder
George Byrd	Josephine Kris	Floyd Rodgers
Ellis Bowser	Cecil Lauer	Naomi Swabb
Bethel Cass	Laura Leis	Evelyn Swanson
Ruth Cox	Claude Miller	Alice L. Shimek
Stella Clark	Eric Milstrey	Carl Von Bargen
Leonard Corcoran	Velora Moore	Glen Willis
Nellie Corcoran	Marcia McCoy	Ruth Wait
Dorris Downing	Ether Nason	Frankie Wait